

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2559

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AIDS

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the latest report of United Nations Programme for AID Spainting a black picture of the country with second largest population infected with the disease; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the figures according to the Government assessment in the annual rate of increase in AIDS cases and deaths due to the disease?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. As per the UNAIDS report on the global HIV/AIDS epidemic, published in June 2000, it has been mentioned that the number of HIV infections in India are more than in any other country in the world except South Africa.

The adult HIV Prevalence rate is 0.7% and the high number is due to large size of the population in the country. A statement indicating the annual rate of increase in AIDS cases and Deaths is enclosed.

Statement referred to Lok Sabha unstarred question No. 2559 to be answered on 14.03.2001

I. AIDS Cases

Year	Number of Reported AIDS Cases (Cumulative)	Percentage increase
1997	4730	
1998	6693	41.50%
1999	9966	48.90%
2000	17997	80.58%

II. AIDS Deaths

Year	Number of Reported AIDS Deaths (cumulative)	Percentage Increase
1997	1043	
1998	1228	17.73%
1999	1366	11.23%
2000	1722	26.06%